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## **Ex Parte**

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> H Street, SW, Portals Washington, DC 20554

Re: Joint Application by Verizon for Authorization To Provide In-Region, InterLATA

Services in States of Delaware and New Hampshire, Docket No. 02-157

Dear Ms. Dortch:

At the request of Staff, Verizon is placing the attached advertisement in the record of this filing. This advertisement is referenced in Verizon's August 5 ex parte related to New Hampshire issues.

Please let me know if you have any questions. The twenty-page limit does not apply as set forth in DA 02-1497.

Sincerely,

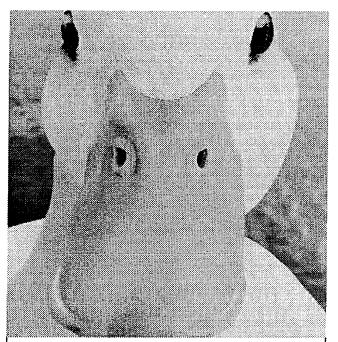
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## There's nothing funny about big bills.

When it comes to long distance phone bills, people in New Hampshire have bigger bills than people in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York and Pennsylvania.

And there's nothing funny about that.

State regulators in these other states encouraged competition — by supporting Verizon's entry into the long distance market.

Other states right next door are moving ahead too — both Maine and Vermont have agreed Verizon should be permitted to offer long distance.

And where Verizon long distance is available, the results are impressive.

An independent study finds that New York's local and long distance rates are dropping by about \$700 million annually. That's an annual savings of \$84 to \$324, per customer 1.

And in New Hampshire, a similar study found consumers here could save more than \$70 million in the first year after Verizon's entry into the long distance market. <sup>1</sup>. That's nearly \$200,000 a day in projected savings!

Meanwhile consumers gave Verizon's residential long distance service the highest rating for "overall satisfaction" — ahead of Sprint, WorldCom... and AT&T $^2$ .

New Hampshire's Public Utilities Commission can help give consumers what New York, Massachusetts, and other Northeast states already have — lower rates... and great long distance service from Verizon.

And leave the big bills ... to the ducks.



To learn more go to www.verizon.com

<sup>1</sup>According to an independent study by the Telecommunications Research Action Center (www.trac.org).
<sup>2</sup>Yankee Group annual Technologically Advanced Family ® Survey, 2001